



Anacostia

There are many cases of grip, but not a single case of typhoid fever in or about Anacostia. In the churches there is much activity, many of the Baptist and Methodist churches are holding protracted meetings, while the Episcopal churches are busily engaged in preparing candidates for confirmation some time before Easter. The week has been marked by a number of accidents. Most of the inaugural visitors who poured into Anacostia during inauguration week have returned to their homes and at the present time conditions are about normal.

Douglass Home Ransacked.

Much interest is being aroused by the report sent to Police Headquarters that the home of the late Frederick Douglass at Cedar Hill was recently entered and ransacked. The report was given by Harold T. Dougherty, employed in the copyright office of the Library of Congress. Mr. Dougherty lives at the Douglass home, but during his absence from the city for a week or two lately, an entrance was forced in the house.

The Douglass estate, which comprises fifteen acres, is situated in an isolated spot between Pierce and Adams streets. The residence of the famous old negro is a treasure house of historical and literary works, and his library is one of the best in the country. As his favorite hobby was the collection of curios of all kinds, the house, from cellar to attic, is crammed with them, many of which are well known and valuable.

In addition to the police attention given to the house, as a result of a request sent in by Mr. Dougherty before his absence from the city, a colored man named Henson was under instructions from Mr. Dougherty to watch the premises, and to report immediately to the police any happening out of the ordinary. Henson lives in the rear of the estate, and is certainly in a position to observe any attempt to enter the house.

As soon as the report was sent in that the house had been entered, Sergeant W. T. Anderson detailed Officers J. W. McCormick, V. G. King and T. A. Lusby to investigate the case, and if possible to apprehend the intruders. They discovered that entrance had been made through a cellar window by knocking down a board barring the window. The burglars being once in the cellar had easy access to the whole house and the many valuables it contained. Much curiosity is therefore aroused by the fact that only a few articles of comparatively no value were taken. Up to the present time the only articles that have been discovered missing are a bone-handled knife and fork and a set of nut-pickers valued at \$2. A desk on the second floor, containing papers belonging to Mr. Douglass was ransacked, but nothing taken. In like manner a cabinet of curios was forced open; the curios were scattered all about, but none were missing.

The incident is the topic of conversation in Anacostia, and Mr. Dougherty is elated over the fact that nothing of importance to his knowledge is missing.

Dr. William A. White, the superintendent of the Government Hospital for the Insane is now in New York, where he expects to remain for a short while.

The Rev. William E. Parson, pastor of the Church of the Reformation in Washington, began his two months' term as chaplain of the institution last Sunday.

Under the direction of the nurses of the asylum, a dance was given in the assembly hall of St. Elizabeth's, Monday evening. The music for the evening was furnished by the hospital orchestra.

Friday evening the inmates of the institution were treated to an excellent entertainment given by William H. McCollin, of Philadelphia, who has been engaged in providing entertainment for hospital inmates for a number of years. The patients greatly enjoyed the songs and recitations furnished by Mr. McCollin, and are indebted to him for an enjoyable evening. He was assisted by the institution orchestra.

A great many improvements are now in progress at the asylum, and several more are contemplated. A force of men is now hard at work repairing and hauling new ties for the hospital switch of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad. The wards in the old portion of the institution known as "Elm" and "Walnut" have for some time been undergoing a treatment for fireproofing. Dr. William A. White, the superintendent, is now making arrangements to add two stories to the brick building containing the laundry plant. At the present time the plant is a large and well equipped one. As the laundry of over 3,000 persons is attended to here, the plant furnishes employment to a large number of inmates who are kept busy with so great an amount of work. Since the institution has lately increased in size, it is very necessary that the laundry plant be enlarged. The addition to the present structure, and the equipment of the annex will each cost about \$5,000, making a total of \$10,000 that will be expended for this very important department of the institution.

On Tuesday morning, the dead body of an infant was found at the mouth of the sewer in the grounds of the Government Hospital for the Insane. It was discovered by George Staub, living on Brooks street, Congress Heights.

Sunday morning, William Beavers found the body of a dead infant on the river shore, near the north end of the asylum trestle. The body was turned over to the morgue master.

Monday, workmen finished laying the sewer in Taylor street, between Jefferson and Adams streets.

The death of Mrs. Eliza Sanford occurred a short time ago at the home of her son, John Sanford, near Congress Heights. She was seventy-two years of age, and was a well-known resident. She is survived by several sons, who are well known in Anacostia. Her remains were interred at Hague, Va.

William Yoe, of Prince George county, who has many friends in Anacostia, painfully cut his hand on a paint can, one day last week. Surgical attention was necessary.

Hurt Playing Ball.

William Manyette, a small boy about ten years of age, painfully injured his hand while playing ball.

One of the inmates of the German Orphan Asylum, a girl thirteen years of age, fell while playing, one day last week in one of the dormitories, and broke her arm.

Tuesday Mr. Beaumont returned from

Asheville, N. C., where he went some time ago to regain his health. He is now in a dying condition.

The marriage of Miss Nellie E. Lohr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. N. A. Lohr, of Good Hope, D. C., to James A. West, of Virginia, took place Wednesday, at noon, at the home of the bride's mother, Rev. J. N. Many performed the ceremony. The family and relatives, and Miss Gertrude E. Cook, of Washington, were the only persons present. The couple left immediately for a trip through the South, but will return near the end of the month.

A reception and luncheon were given the guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Garvey, of 216 Adams street. The guests entertained were, Mr. and Mrs. John Rosa, Mr. and Mrs. John Krafts, and Mr. and Mrs. William Andrews, all of Yonkers, N. Y. The host and hostess were assisted in entertaining their guests by Mrs. Edwin Eddis, of Washington.

A building permit has been issued to William F. Warriner to build a one-story frame dwelling in the public square, between Nicholas avenue and Sheridan street.

A board of managers has recently been formed for the Protestant Episcopal Chapel and parish at Congress Heights. The following officers were elected: The Rev. William G. Davenport, president; Milton J. Phillips, vice president; William M. Siruch, secretary; Samuel M. Phillips, treasurer.

Change of the Police.

On the police station force, there have been several changes. Officer Shepherd, who took Sergeant Vernein's place during the latter's recent confinement to his home with illness, has been transferred to the Tenleytown station, as Sergeant Vernein has sufficiently recovered to resume his duties.

Patrol Driver McCauley, formerly of No. 1 station, has exchanged places with Charles Anderson, the former patrol driver of this station.

Private C. R. Brown is on leave visiting his home in Massachusetts. Mounted Officer D. J. Garvey is also on leave.

George Davis, of Twining City, reports lost to stolen, a large mastiff dog, with collar and tag, No. 1821.

The roads in the vicinity of Anacostia are in an almost impassable condition, owing to the fact that the gradual thawing of the ground, Mr. Howe, foreman for Knox & Co., is rendering great assistance to farmers on Walker road by adding them with several span of horses in pulling their wagons out of the mud. Many of the wagons have been obliged to remain there since last fall. The road foreman, Mr. Collins, is now actively engaged in repairing the roads.

The Rev. George C. Groves, rector of St. Barnabas' Protestant Episcopal Church at Barnaby in Prince George's county, Md., delivered the first of a series of lectures accompanied by stereoscopic views at the Emmanuel Episcopal Church, Friday evening, March 19. His subject was the "Life of Our Saviour." These lectures will be given in the parish hall of the church every Friday during Lent.

The Lenten sermon at the evening service in St. Teresa's Church last Sunday night was delivered by the Rev. Father Sullivan, of Baltimore.

Brightwood

Although the season of Lent is but a few days old, its effect on social life at Brightwood is noticeable.

On Tuesday Nathaniel McIntyre, alias George Mead, was arrested as a suspicious character, but after investigation at Tenth precinct was dismissed.

James Powell, a driver, was arrested on March 11, for cruelty to animals. George Ashby, twenty-seven years old, was arrested on Monday, the 13th, and a charge of petit larceny was preferred against him.

Because he sold liquor without a license, John B. Noland was arrested on Monday.

On Friday, Walter Lee, of 603 Sumner street, was struck in the head by a stone thrown by Robert Dean, colored, living at 203 Brightwood avenue. Although the wound was very painful, it was not serious. He was taken to Freedman's Hospital, where the injury was dressed.

A horse hitched to a surrey, owned by George C. DeHaven, of Brightwood Avenue Hotel, became unmanageable on New Hampshire avenue, near the Rock Creek road, S. W. Wilson, and Mrs. George C. Muncie were in the vehicle at the time, and the latter, becoming badly frightened, jumped to the ground, spraining her left ankle, and sustaining several painful bruises. She was taken to the Tenth precinct in the patrol wagon, and was afterward removed to her residence, in a private vehicle, by friends.

Wilson bravely stuck to his post until thrown out by a sudden lurch of the vehicle. The man received a bad cut over his left eye, and was afterward injured about the face and body. He was taken to the Garfield Hospital, where his wounds were dressed, afterward returning to his home on Brightwood avenue. The surrey was slightly damaged, and the horse received one or two cuts about his haunches.

Sickness Did Not Count.

Lewis Mayer, a prisoner at the Tenth precinct, while washing, perhaps, to take advantage of the nice weather, feigned sickness, and was taken to Freedman's Hospital, where his duplicity was discovered by the doctor in charge. He was returned to the station at once.

John O'Neil, an old soldier, living at 78 Whitney avenue, while in the company of William Botham, living at the same place, was taken very sick and fell in the street at a card party last Saturday evening. A number of musical selections added greatly to the pleasure of the evening, after which refreshments were served.

A very enjoyable progressive euchre party was held at the home of Mr. Fernans, of Fort street, last Thursday evening.

Miss Gertrude Bode died last Thursday at Saranac Lake, New York. Miss Bode resided in Brookland for many years. She made many friends. She and her mother had journeyed to Saranac Lake in the latter part of last September for her health. No arrangements have been made for the funeral, but it will probably take place from her late residence, 1311 First street northwest.

The water stopcock boxes in the pavement in front of Nos. 1407, 1409, 1411 Chapin square project about two inches above the level of the pavement, causing a dangerous obstruction to pedestrians.

Permission has been given the Washington Gaslight Company to make excavations for the purpose of installing connections between their gas main and the residence, 1821 Belmont avenue.

Laying the Foundations.

Contractor Hough has men excavating preparatory to laying foundations for the buildings to be erected at Ninth and Savannah streets. The buildings are to be two-stories high and basement, the first story stone, the other frame.

Too much cannot be said as to the condition of the roads and sidewalks in this vicinity. The driveways for the most part, being typical country roads, are very susceptible to washouts and mud-holes, which prove a great inconvenience to pedestrians and no little danger to those driving. At the present time there are no less than a score of complaints registered with the police who can do more than report these to the authorities, where they stop. Assuredly this evil, of poor streets can and should be remedied, and that promptly.

Of course, of late, recent inclement weather has been blamed for the poor state in which the roads are, but were they macadamized or at least graded, in some instances, this evil would not occur, or at any rate with less frequency and in less degree.

Little Charles McKenney, of 3226 E. Lightwood avenue, who has had scarlet fever, is convalescing rapidly.

Katherine Kelley, the little daughter of K. Kelley, living at 325 Brightwood avenue, will in a few days be able to be out. She has been confined with diphtheria.

B. B. C. Club's Meet.

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Hyattsville

Mrs. E. R. Shreve has returned from a visit to her brother, Thomas Marden, Oxon Hill.

Miss Annie Repetti, of Washington, is visiting friends at Hyattsville.

G. C. Dougherty, of New York, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Joseph W. Aman.

Mrs. Frank Frye, of Luckett's, Va., is visiting Mrs. John McCormick.

Misses Carrie and Clara Turner, of Woodville, Md., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Charles H. Welsh.

George W. Bell, of Charleston, S. C., has been visiting his aunt, Mrs. J. S. McFarland.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Phillips, of Boston, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Rogers last week.

Mrs. S. Ward Righter has recovered from a two weeks' duration of sickness.

Thomas M. Webb, of Acme, Arundel county, has been visiting his brother-in-law, George L. Hardesty.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brooks, of Baltimore, have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Gault.

W. P. Magruder has begun the erection of a brick warehouse adjoining his hardware store on Maryland avenue.

Knopf, the baker has moved to Mt. Ranier, and the building he vacated has been fitted up and occupied by W. S. Dutton, stoves and tinware.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stokes, after a stay of nearly a year in Pittsburgh, are at home again, and Aloysius E. Bowe, deputy auditor, United States Treasury, and family who occupied Mr. Stokes' house have moved to a new residence.

The work on the sand and gravel pit, which supplies the filtration plant in Washington, and which suspended at the time of the fire at the plant, resumed Monday.

The first of a series of Lenten sermons in St. Jerome's Church by the Rev. William J. Kerby, D. D., of the Catholic University, was an interesting and instructive one, Tuesday evening, on "Justice."

Prof. Ralph I. Smith, who left the faculty of the Maryland Agricultural College about a year ago, and who is assistant entomologist for the State of Georgia, has lately succeeded his chief, Prof. Newell, who resigned.

Constables Raybold and Payne arrested Joseph Waldron, John Bowe, George McKelzie, Thomas Bowie, and Aylett Howlett, young men from Washington, Sunday evening, on the charge of disturbing the peace at Prentwood. After four hours in the Hyattsville lock-up, they were released on collateral, which was forfeited in Justice Arthur Carr's court next morning.

A dramatic and musical entertainment for the benefit of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, billed for Thursday evening at Mission Hall, was postponed until tomorrow evening on account of the death of the pastor's sister.

Ralph O'Reilly and sister, Miss Nellie, and Miss E. E. Parsley, of Orange, N. J., who have been visiting Miss Christine Owens and J. Stewart Bond, of Annapolis, who came Wednesday, have gone with Miss Owens to Worthington, Va., where they will be a house party and guests of Miss Owens' cousin, Miss Grace Councilman.

Sheriff Middleton, Deputy Sheriff Dove, and State's Attorney Magruder rode to the Maryland Agricultural College, on Tuesday, for a quick and unexpected trip to Seattle, Wash., bringing back a negro, who was killed by Arthur Dorsey, a negro saloonkeeper, in Bladensburg, August 14, 1893. Galloway claims that he did the killing in self-defense. He further says that, after leaving this vicinity, he went to Baltimore and played the races, winning \$800, with which he made direct for the Pacific coast. While in Seattle he married, and is now anxious that his wife shall come to visit him.

Howard Moran, of Hyattsville, treasurer of the Home Savings Bank, in Washington, and Miss Emily Parthenia Roberts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William A. Roberts, of Washington, were married in the presence of a few relatives of the contracting parties, at noon Wednesday last, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, by the Rev. Richard P. Williams. After a short tour Mr. and Mrs. Moran will make their home temporarily in Washington.

The annual election of the officers of the Presbyterian Church was held Wednesday evening, the Rev. S. Ward Righter acting as moderator. The following is the full list: Elders Harry W. Sheppard, K. P. Wilsie, George S. Britt, F. D. Bankhazes, and William S. Holton; trustees, K. J. Wilsie, William P. Sheppard, J. W. Ginder, Harry W. Sheppard, W. R. Brooks, Charles H. Long, William S. Holton, and George S. Britt; clerk, George S. Britt; treasurer, William S. Holton. Officers of Sunday school: K. J. Wilsie, superintendent; George S. Britt, assistant superintendent; P. E. Davis, secretary; W. H. Richardson, librarian; J. C. Wilfong, treasurer; Misses Lucille Brooks and Jennie Webster, organists; Mrs. S. Ward Righter, independent primary department; Miss Blanche K. Wilsie, assistant; Mrs. Thomas Rathbone, superintendent home department. The finances of the church are in a healthy condition.

The laying of the ground leaves the streets of Hyattsville in a very bad condition. Under the terms of his contract, Henry A. Miller, of Wilmington, Del., who laid the sewers, had to resurface the streets. Owing to the wetness of the season when the sewers were completed the town council directed that the resurfacing be postponed until April. The hard winter kept the streets in a fair condition for travel, but now that the frost is out the roadways show the effect of the sewer excavations. The situation has started a mild agitation in favor of another output of funds, the proceeds to be used in the improvement of the streets.

Death of Miss Cackley.

Miss Elizabeth Margaret Cackley, sister of the Rev. A. M. Cackley, D. D., died of uremia at Columbia Hospital, in Washington, at 11:29 o'clock Thursday. She was born in Oceanic county, Va., in 1838, and had lived with her brother in Hyattsville since October of last year. She had been in poor health for some years, and on the advice of Drs. Richardson and Latimer she went to the hospital on the 7th inst., and was

under the charge of Dr. I. S. Stone. She was a woman of many beautiful traits of character and died in full Christian resignation. The Rev. W. H. D. Harper, presiding elder of Baltimore district, conducted services at the parsonage at 4:30 o'clock Friday afternoon, and that evening the remains were sent to Greenbrier White Sulphur Springs for interment. Besides Dr. Cackley, she leaves a brother, J. V. Cackley, in Greenbrier county, and two sisters, Miss Sadie R. Cackley, Hyattsville, and Mrs. W. M. Hunt, Barboursville, W. Va.

The assessment of property in this county has been completed, and the total is \$11,797,340, which is an increase of \$87,387 over that of last year. The assessment of Hyattsville district amounts to \$1,696,124, an increase of \$133,688 over that of last year, and which is nearly \$500,000 greater than that of Laurel, the district with the next highest valuation. The growth in values in Hyattsville district has been as steady as it is marked, and there has never been what could be called a boom in real estate. The district of the least valuation is Surratt's, and that shows a decrease from the assessment of 1904 of \$3,150.

A Presidential Office.

On Monday the Hyattsville postoffice was raised to the presidential grade with postmaster's salary fixed at \$1,000 and an allowance for clerk hire, to take effect from April 1. The office was established during the civil war, and has the honor of being the first experimental station in the United States for free delivery at a fourth class office.

John M. Gregory, who had been a member of the first board of Civil Service Commissioners, was at that time a resident of Hyattsville, and had lately returned from a long visit to Europe. On the Continent he had been impressed with the almost universal extension of the system to the villages. He advised George Tise then, as now, the postmaster, to apply for authority to make the experiment.

Free Delivery Superintendent J. F. Bates and Postmaster General John Wanamaker granted the application, and free delivery was begun February 1, 1891, with Moses Smith as carrier, who made his rounds twice a day. It was discontinued in the early part of Cleveland's second Administration.

The March term of the circuit court for Montgomery county will commence here on Monday.

Miss Maude Heagy, who has been away from her home here for some time for her health, has returned.

Robert Welsh, son of Wallace Welsh, of this town, has gone to Colorado for the benefit of his lungs.

W. C. Foxworth, formerly of this place, but now of Georgetown, is rapidly recovering from an illness of two weeks.

William H. Elliott, late of Seneca, this county, has left the Georgetown University Hospital, after undergoing a successful operation.

Sold to Syndicate.

Public rumor has it that the farm of the late Alfred Ray, in the lower portion of this county, has recently been sold to a syndicate for \$125,000.

Mrs. Thomas Hoskinson, who was operated on at the Union Potestant infirmary by Dr. W. W. Russell, has returned to her home in Poolesville, this county, much improved in health.

Dr. Edward Wootton has returned to his home in Poolesville, this county, from Hot Springs, Ark., where he has been for the last several weeks with the double purpose of improving his health and visiting his son.

Thomas Hunter Watkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Watkins, formerly of this community, now of Washington city, and Miss Mary E. Kelley, of Valentine, Neb., were married on March 1. They will reside at Valentine, Neb.

A Henson Bean, a well-known citizen of this county, died last Friday morning at his home, near Bethesda, aged seventy-eight years. He is survived by the following children: Mrs. Joseph Flack, Mrs. Mary Waple, Mrs. John Magruder, and Frank, James T., and Alexander H. Bean.

Death of Mrs. Poole.

Mrs. Agnes Poole, widow of the late W. W. Poole, of Poolesville, this county, and one of its most prominent citizens, died on Tuesday at a sanatorium at Skyville, Md., aged fifty-six years. She had been in poor health for several years, and had been an inmate at the Skyville institution a long while.

Clinton Tucker and Miss Susie Maude Pugh, young Washingtonians, visited Rockville on Monday and were married by the Rev. W. F. Locke. The age of the groom was given as twenty-two years, and that of the bride was eighteen. They were unaccompanied and returned to Washington immediately after the ceremony.

Mildred Allnatt, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Allnatt, of Dawsonville, this county, died on Thursday night of last week, after an illness of several days of typhoid-pneumonia. Her remains were interred in Monocacy Cemetery, Beallsville, on Saturday afternoon. The floral offerings were numerous and handsome.

The Registrar of the Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pa., just issued, shows the attendance of three students from this county: R. K. Waters, of Germantown; A. N. Van Vleck, of Linden, and W. H. Henderson, of Rockville.

Christianity in Japan.

T. Fushida, of Japan, a student of the Louisville Theological Seminary, occupied the pulpit at the Baptist Church here, last Sunday morning. He talked of his conversion to Christianity and of the progress the Christian religion is making in Japan. In the evening he delivered an address before the Epworth League at the Methodist Episcopal Church South, a large gathering hearing him.

Arthur G. Elgin, of Poolesville, son of Charles F. Elgin, and Miss Diana Evans Carpenter, a daughter of the late Dr. John E. Carpenter, of Washington, were married last week at the home of the bride's mother, in Washington. Only the immediate families of the bride and groom attended the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. Elgin have been visiting in Poolesville, and will go this week to New York, where they will reside. Mr. Elgin has been engaged in business there for some time.

Howe Totten, of Boyds, owner of Windbourne kennel, has returned from the bench show of the Duquesne Club, of Pittsburgh, Pa., bringing with him Tris-

tan II, who carried off the leading honors at the show, winning three first prizes. Mr. Totten won first prizes in the open class for Harlequins; in open class, all colors, and for best dog in show, adding three points to his claim of title of champion Great Dane dog.

Mr. Totten will take Tristan to Brooklyn, N. Y., for exhibition at a show on March 29 and April 1. Mr. Totten has been invited